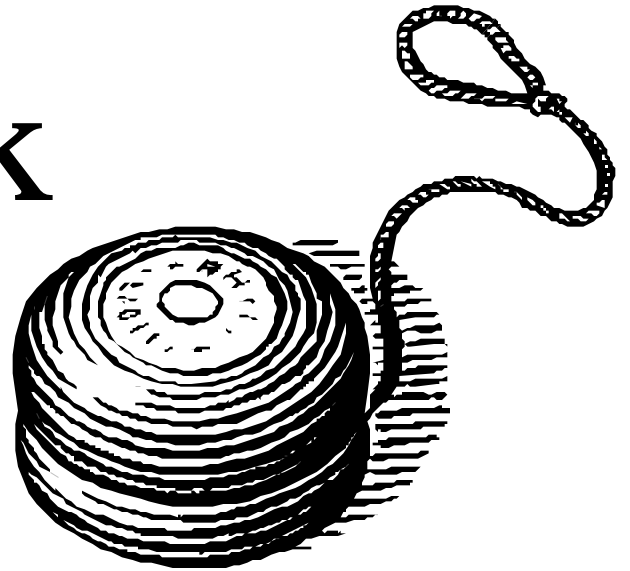


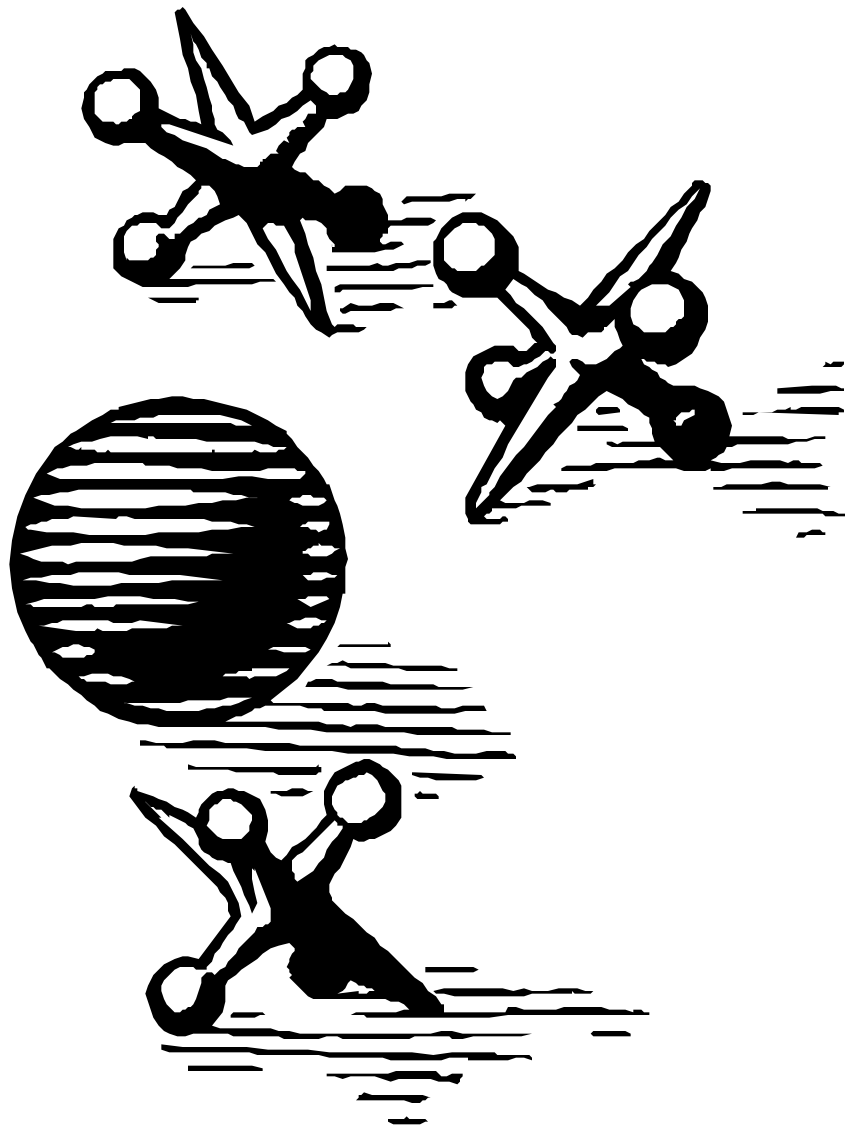
Kids' Week

In Lowell

February 16-23, 2008



PROGRAM SCHEDULE



KIDS' WEEK IN LOWELL FEBRUARY 16-23, 2008

Winter Games

For more information call Lowell National Historical Park
(978) 970-5000, Monday - Friday. For those with hearing impairment,
TDD (978) 970-5002. You may also call the institution or organization
hosting the event directly using the numbers listed below.

If you cannot attend an event for which you pre-registered, please call and cancel
to make room for others.

In case of bad weather, listen to WCAP 980 AM and WUML 91.5 FM for possible cancellations.

FOR FURTHER PROGRAM INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT:

AMERICAN TEXTILE HISTORY MUSEUM

491 Dutton St.

978-441-0400

BRUSH ART GALLERY & STUDIOS

256 Market St.

978-459-7819

GIRLS INCORPORATED OF GREATER LOWELL

220 Worthen St.

978-458-6529

LOWELL NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK

Visitor Center Boott Cotton Mills Museum

246 Market St. 115 John St.

978-970-5000 978-970-5000

LOWELL SENIOR CENTER

276 Broadway St.

978-970-4131

NEW ENGLAND QUILT MUSEUM

18 Shattuck St.

978-452-4207

POLLARD MEMORIAL LIBRARY

401 Merrimack St.

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TSONGAS INDUSTRIAL HISTORY CENTER

3rd Floor, Boott Cotton Mills Museum

115 John St.

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REVOLVING MUSEUM

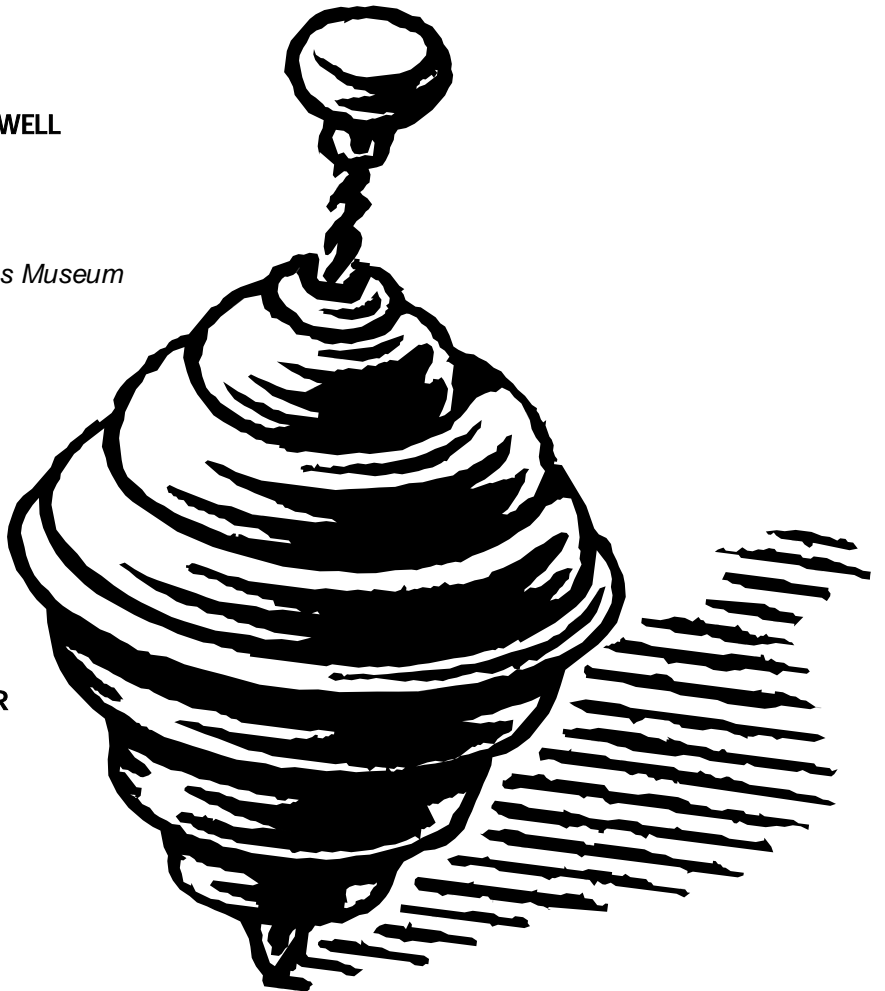
22 Shattuck St.

978-937-2787

WHISTLER HOUSE MUSEUM OF ART

243 Worthen St.

978-452-7641



For more details, visit us online at: www.nps.gov/lowe

Have fun in Lowell during February school vacation week.

Lowell National Historical Park, the City of Lowell, the American Textile Museum, The Brush Art Gallery, The Revolving Museum, The Whistler House Museum of Art, The Tsongas Industrial History Center, The Lowell Senior Center, and Independent Artists have planned a week filled with entertainment, games, crafts, and storytelling programs during February school vacation week. All activities are free of charge!

Class size is limited and pre-registration is strongly recommended on some of the events.

See event listing for telephone number to make a reservations.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 16 - SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 23

Daily

9:30 am - 4:00 pm

**LOWELL NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK**

246 Market St.

Become a Junior Ranger

Ages 7 & up

VISITOR CENTER AND BOOTT COTTON MILLS MUSEUM

Pick up a Junior Ranger Activity Guide at either the Visitor Center or the Boott Cotton Mills Museum. As you explore the park, complete the activities in the booklet and turn it in to a ranger at the desk to become a

Junior Ranger - badge, hat, certificate and all!

Answers to the activities can be found throughout the park.

Parent or adult supervision is required.

Daily

9:30 am - 4:00 pm

LOWELL NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK

115 John St.

Park Ranger Museum Talks

All Ages

BOOTT COTTON MILLS MUSEUM

Join a park ranger for a 10 - 15 minute program at the Boott Cotton Mills Museum.

Learn more about cotton production, capital, labor, "mill girls," mill machinery, and more. Learn about carding, spinning and weaving and test your skills by trying these hands-on activities.

Interested in becoming a city planner? Come to the Boott Museum and re-build a mill city.

Ask a ranger for daily topics.

Free with admission to the exhibit

Parent or adult supervision is required.



Daily

1:30 - 4 pm

LOWELL NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK

40 French St.

Explore the Living Conditions of a "Mill Girl"

All Ages

MILL GIRLS & IMMIGRANTS EXHIBIT

Join a park ranger for a 10 - 15 minute program at the Mill Girls & Immigrants Exhibit. Explore the Mill Girls Exhibit by completing one of the many "mill girl" letters.

Visit the Immigrant exhibit and see the many cultures that have blended to create the "melting pot" of Lowell.

Parent or adult supervision is required.

Admission to exhibit is free

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 16

10:00 am - 12:00 pm

LOWELL NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK

All Ages



115 John Street
2nd floor Counting House, entrance to Boott Cotton Mill Museum

Drop in and create two crafts

Fun with YoYos

Come build and decorate a wooden yo-yo.
Test your skills and see if you can walk the dog.

Fun with Beads

Create a bead keychain that you can use to
decorate your backpack with or to carry your keys.

1:00 - 1:30 pm

LOWELL NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK

All Ages



115 John St.
WEAVE ROOM, 1ST FLOOR, BOOTT COTTON MILLS MUSEUM

Cathy & Fran: Lowell "Mill Girls"

Travel back to the early 1900s, when the Boott Mills were still making cloth.
Meet Cathy Randall and Francisca DeSousa. Lowell National Historical Park
Weavers who operate looms used in the last century in New England and
Tennessee. Learn about the job of a weaver in the past and present.

Parent or adult supervision is required.



2:00 - 3:00 pm

LOWELL NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK

Ages 4 & up

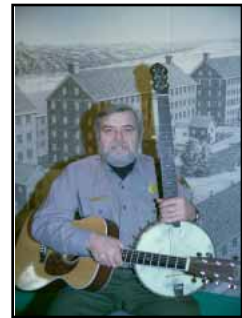
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Curious Creatures

FREE

Live Animal Show

Monday

2-18-08

11:00 am

Visitor Center

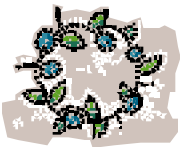


Day & Time**Location & Program Details****Ages****MONDAY, FEBRUARY 18****11:00 am - 12:00 pm****LOWELL NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK**

246 Market Street

All Ages**Curious Creatures****Live Animal Show****VISITOR CENTER THEATER**

Featuring Mammals, Reptiles, Amphibians and Arachnids.
Join a professional exhibitor for a hands-on program Hear interesting facts and stories about their many curious creatures.
Parent or adult supervision is required.

2:30 - 3:30 pm**LOWELL NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK**

246 Market Street

Ages 6-8

2ND floor Conference Room, Lowell National Park Visitor's Center

"Hand"-some Paper Wreath

Celebrate the snowy season with a "handy" craft project.
Use your own handprint to fashion a simple winter wreath.
Parent or adult supervision is required.
Registration is required,
please call Lowell National Historical Park (978) 970-5000

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 19**10:00 am - 12:00 pm****AMERICAN TEXTILE HISTORY MUSEUM**

491 Dutton St.

Ages 7 & up**Come Play in the Past and Make a Toy**

Ever wonder what Paul Revere and Ben Franklin did for fun when they were kids?
Come find out and try your hand playing as a kid from 1700s New England.
Make a toy of your choice (dolls, snakes, and games and more)
Parent or adult supervision is required for children under the age of 8.

10:00 - 10:30 am**LOWELL NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK**

246 Market Street Visitor's Center Theater

All Ages**Reading Ranger "Creative Critters"**

Join Ranger Maria for some of her favorite stories about animals.
The Little Wood Duck by Brian Wildsmith, Kissing Coyotes by Marcia Vaughan
and The Pet Show by Ezra Jack Keats
Parent or adult supervision is required.

**10:00 - 11:30 am****LOLITA DEMERS, INDEPENDENT ARTIST & LOWELL TEACHER**

115 John Street, 2nd Floor Counting House

Entrance to Booth Cotton Mills Museum

Ages 8 & Up**Clay Exploration**

Create a fantasy creature, dragon or whimsical castle sculpture.
Students will form, paint and take home their art piece.
Bring your imagination, old clothes or apron.
Be prepared to have fun.
Reservations required, please call Lowell National Park (978) 970-5000

10:30 - 11:30 am**POLLARD MEMORIAL LIBRARY**

401 Merrimack St.

Grades K & Up**Winter Beach Party**

Come beat the winter blues and join our imaginary beach party!
Listen to some seaside stories, play some aqua games and create a beach souvenir.
Parent or adult supervision is required.

Day & Time

Location & Program Details

Ages

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 19

1:00 - 2:30 pm

LOWELL SENIOR CENTER

276 Broadway St.

Learn to Knit

Join some experienced Knitters and learn the wonderful art of knitting.

Learn how to knit and pearl, cast on and off.

Learning to Knit can bring a lifetime of enjoyment

Supplies included. Registration is required. Please call (978) 970-4131.

Ages 7 & up



1:00 - 2:30 pm

LOWELL SENIOR CENTER

276 Broadway St.

BINGO - Kids and Seniors

Come play BINGO and Win Prizes! Pizza and drinks will be served.

Parents are welcome.

Parents must check in and out with receptionist.

Ages 7 & Up



1:00 - 2:00 pm

All Ages

LOWELL NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK

115 John St.

Angkor Dance Troupe

BOOTT EVENTS CENTER

2nd Floor, Boott Cotton Mills Museum

Take a journey to Southeast Asia and enjoy the Cambodian classical and folk dances of the Angkor Dance Troupe. The Angkor Dance Troupe is a non-profit cultural organization that was formed in 1986 by Cambodian refugees of the Khmer Rouge genocide who settled in Lowell, Massachusetts. When we resettled here, we brought a passion to carry on our cherished traditions - to practice and perform, to teach others, and to preserve the culture for future generations. Cambodian classical and folk dances are enduring symbols of Cambodia.



1:00 - 2:30 pm

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WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 20

10:00 - 10:30 am

LOWELL NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK

246 Market Street, Visitor Center Theater

Reading Ranger "Groovy Girls"

Join Ranger Maria for some of her favorite stories starring her favorite leading girls.

Blueberries for Sal by Robert McCloskey, *Princess Smartypants* by Babette Cole

and *Jillian Jiggs* by Phoebe Gilman.

Jillian, Sal and Smartypants all have a way of doing things.

Parent or adult supervision is required.

All Ages



Day & Time

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Ages

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 20

10:00 am - 12:00 pm



POLLARD MEMORIAL LIBRARY

401 Merrimack Street

Drop-In Craft

CHILDREN'S DEPARTMENT

Pre school & Up

Stop by the Library and make a craft you can play with— an **Animal Puppet**
(While supplies last) Parent or adult supervision is required.

10:00 - 11:30 am

JAY W. HUNGATE, LOWELL ARTIST

115 John Street, 2nd floor Counting House

Entrance to the Boot Cotton Mills Museum

Flights of Fantasy: Dragons, Drakes and Griffins

Join Lowell Sculptor Jay Hungate as we explore the world of mythological creatures and learn to create small decorative shields and wall plaques based on our discoveries. We use air dry clay to create unique low relief sculptures and then paint them to look like antique artifacts. Registration required, adults may accompany child
Please call Lowell National Park (978) 970-5000



Ages 8- 14

11:00 am - 12:30 pm



NEW ENGLAND QUILT MUSEUM

18 Shattuck St.

Ages 8 to 12

Snowflakes and other Surprises

Design a fabric collage from assorted novelty and colorful fabrics, and transform it into a large colorful snowflake suitable for a wall or window decoration to take home. Students may also have an opportunity to complete a second project or color a poster to share with the Lowell Women's Week Streetscape Exhibit : *Roots of Strength*.
Registration required, please call New England Quilt Museum (978)452-4207, ext. 17

1:00 - 3:00 pm



THE REVOLVING MUSUEM

22 Shattuck Street

Ages 9 - 14

Toys and Games - Flying Origami

Basic air planes, pin wheels and birds will be constructed from sheets of origami paper. Drawing and collage materials will be used to decorate the Flying Origami with a Collaborative "fly over" at the conclusion of the workshop.
Adult supervision for children under 8.
Reservation is required, Please call Lowell National Park (978) 970-5000

1:30 - 3:30 pm



NEW ENGLAND QUILT MUSEUM

Class being held @Girls Inc. of Greater Lowell

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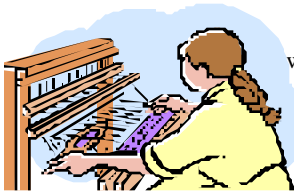
Learn Capoeira : Afro-Brazilian Martial Arts

Come to the Library and learn Capoeira, an Afro-Brazilian martial art, with Mestre Calango. Capoeira combines fluid kicks and dodges with music, strategy, and playfulness. It is a fight disguised as a dance, and also a fun game among friends. Mestre Calango has been teaching Capoeira for over 25 years to students of all ages and mixed abilities. Reservation required. (978) 970-4122

Ages 12 & Up



2:00 - 3:00 pm



TSONGAS INDUSTRIAL HISTORY CENTER
115 John St. 3rd floor Boott Cotton Mill Museum

Weaving Workshop

Learn about how cloth is designed, patterned, and made in this unique hands-on workshop. Participants will learn how cloth is made through weaving and create their own piece of cloth. Learn the difference between warp and weft and have fun in the process! Parent/adult supervision for children under the age of 10. Registration required, please call Lowell National Historical Park (978) 970-5000

Ages 6 - 12

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 21

10:00 - 11:00 am



LOWELL NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK
115 JOHN STREET 2nd floor Counting House
Main Entrance of the Boott Cotton Mill Museum

Tan grams - Have fun with Math

Tan grams is an ancient Chinese puzzle consisting of seven geometric pieces. This puzzle is both fun and frustrating. Come test your skills and see what you can create.

Registration required, please call
Lowell National Historical Park (978) 970-5000

All Ages

11:00am- 1:00 pm



LOWELL NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK
115 JOHN ST. 2nd Floor Counting House
Main Entrance of the Boott Cotton Mills Museum

Drop in Craft - Make your own Checkerboard

Using weaving techniques you can create your own personalized checkerboard. You can also cut out playing pieces from templates provided. Parent/adult supervision for children under age 7

Ages 7 & Up

1:00 - 3:30 pm



WHISTLER HOUSE MUSEUM OF ART
243 Worthen St.

Victorian Tea & Scavenger Hunt

We'll conduct a tour of the Whistler House Museum of Art. Then our guests will have a Victorian Tea—finger sandwiches, sweets, and herbal tea or hot chocolate. Finally, we'll have a Scavenger Hunt to find objects or pictures relating to the permanent collection at the Whistler House. Registration required.

Please call The Whistler House Museum (978) 452-7641

Ages 8 - 12

Day & Time**Location & Program Details****Ages****THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 21****1:00 - 4:00 pm****BRUSH ART GALLERY & STUDIOS**

256 Market street

Chinese Brush Painting

Judith Funkhouser, an artist currently exhibiting in the Brush Art Gallery's exhibition HISTORICAL MUSE: The Influence of Traditional Chinese Painting Contemporary Artist. Judy will be using the Brush's Gallery as inspiration for the varied techniques of traditional Chinese painting and mixed media which the students will be experimenting with.

Students will also have a chance to learn about the history of Chinese Brush Painting.

Registration is required

Please call Lowell National Historical Park (978) 970-5000

Age 7 to 9**2:00 - 4:00 pm****LOWELL NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK**

115 John Street, 2nd Floor Counting House

Entrance to the Boott Cotton Mills Museum

Drop-in Craft

Handkerchief Dolls

Handkerchief dolls were a specialty of all clever Grandpas.

Learn how to twist and tie Boott Cotton Mills weave room cloth into a doll.

And then have fun decorating it to take home with you.

Parent or adult supervision is required

**Grades pre-K
& up****2:00 - 3:00 pm****TSONGAS INDUSTRIAL HISTORY CENTER**

115 John St.

3rd Floor Boott Cotton Mills Museum

Waterpower Workshop

Design, build, and operate a canal system just as the Proprietors of Locks and Canals did in Lowell in the early 1800s. All participants will get hands-on canal building experience (no experience required).

Be ready to have a great time and maybe get a little wet!

Parent/adult supervision required for children under 10.

Registration required, please call Lowell National Historical Park

(978)970-5000

**Ages 6 - 12****FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 22****10:00 - 11:00 am****LOWELL NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK**

115 John St. 2nd Floor Counting House

Entrance to the Boott Cotton Mills Museum

Harry Potter's Hogwarts School of Penmanship

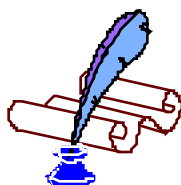
Learn to write like Harry Potter, Ron, and Hermione.

Students at the Hogwarts school use quill pens! This 30-minute program will provide basic instruction in penmanship using quill pens & ink.

Write a letter to a friend or just practice your writing skills.

Parent or adult supervision is required. Registration is required.

Please call Lowell National Historical Park (978)970-5000

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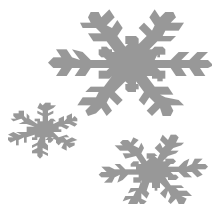
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SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 23

10:00 am - 12:00 pm

LOWELL NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK

115 John St. 2nd Floor Counting House

Entrance of Boott Cotton Mills Museum

All Ages



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Fun with YoYos

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Fun with beads

Create a bead keychain that you can decorate your backpack with or use to carry your keys.

10:00 am - 12:00 pm

MASS AUDUBON/DRUMLIN FARM & FRIENDS OF ROGERS FORT HILL PARK

Rogers Street Lowell, Rogers Fort Hill Park

All Ages

Maple Sugaring at Rogers Fort Hill Park

Do you have a sugar maple tree or two in your yard? Do you love maple sugar?

If so, then come and join us to learn how to make your own delicious syrup.

We'll cover tree identification, equipment, tapping, weather, boiling, finishing, & storing.

This will be a great family activity,

and a 'sweet' way to learn about one of Lowell's historic park and its fine old trees.

Wear warm clothes and boots. Rain or shine

Registration required, Please call Phone # (978) 934-0030



1:00 - 1:30 pm

LOWELL NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK

115 John St. Weave Room 1st Floor Boott Cotton Mills Museum

All Ages



Cathy & Fran: Lowell "Mill Girls"

Travel back to the early 1900s, when the Boott Mills were still making cloth. Meet Cathy Randall and Francisca DeSousa. Lowell National Historical Park Weavers who operate looms used in the last century in New England and Tennessee.

Learn about the job of a weaver in the past and present.

Parent or adult supervision is required.



2:00 - 3:00 pm

LOWELL NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK

115 John Street,

2nd Floor Events Center, Boott Cotton Mills

Ages 4 & up

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